Site # WA-HAG-198

Date: ca. 1907

Property Name: (Historic) Western Maryland Railway, former foundry building (Present) Hagerstown Roundhouse Museum

Location: 300 South Burhans Blvd. Hagerstown, Maryland

Access: private X, public ____

Description:

This two story brick building has a wedge-shaped front, coming to an acute point at its southeast corner. It is an industrial building with a low-pitched gable roof. Two stories high, it has projecting brick pilasters and corbeled trim separating groups of window bays. Windows have six over six pane sash and are set beneath segmentally arched window heads. The building presently houses the Hagerstown Roundhouse Museum.

Significance:

According to Sanborn Insurance Maps of 1911, this building was originally a foundry. It did not become associated with the Western Maryland Railway until the second quarter of this century when it was acquired by the railroad and used for offices.

Built in the early 20th century, probably around 1907 when the Western Maryland Railway was constructing its yard facilities nearby. It represents Hagerstown's industrial development and heritage during a time period in the early 20th century when it grew dramatically.

Historic Context:

Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data

Geographic Organization: Western Maryland

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Economic/Social/Cultural Architecture

Resource Type: Rail-Related Resources

Category: Industrial

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